

The FCC should use its power to prevent Sinclair Broadcasting's from forcing their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election. Sinclair's decision is patently undemocratic and an abuse of the public airwaves, as well as a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. It's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter, than to see what partisan news corporations would like to feed us.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them.  
Thank you.